PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1761

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Attorney Docket No.: OSY-0000

Hiroo IKEGAMI et al.

Examiner: R. Madsen

Application No.: 09/581,253

Art Unit: 1761

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Confirmation No. 5157

For:

LOW POSITIVE PRESSURE CANNED FOOD HAVING AN INTERNAL

PRESSURE INSPECTION APTITUDE AND CAN THEREFOR

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated April 22, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application for the reasons as set forth below.

Claims 1, 2, 6, 10, 12-14 and 16 are pending in the application.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

(There are no amendments to the claims)